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## CROP-HOLDING PLAN FOR THE FARMERS

### Likely to Be Recommended by Policy Committee

### LAUD SKELTON WILLIAMS

**Those Advocating Drastic Action Declare There Is No Hope Of Aid From The Govment.**

Washington.—A plan for a general crop holding movement by farmers until their products will bring a price, at least equal to the cost of production, is expected to be recommended to the Agricultural Conference, by a special committee appointed to devise a plan of procedure.

Eugene Meyer, Jr., of New York, former head of the War Finance Corporation, was in conference with the committee. A resolution commending Comptroller of the Currency, Williams, was adopted by the conference.

"Resolved," it said, "that the National Board of Farm organizations express their full appreciation of the sympathetic appreciation shown by Mr. John Skelton Williams, Comptroller of the Currency, in the welfare of the farmers of this country and his fearless exposure of the high rates of interest charged by the New York banks, the effect of which has been to draw the money from interior banks, where it is most needed for legitimate business and used in New York for speculative purposes."

Delegates favoring crop holding declared they were convinced that in view of the announcement of the Federal Reserve Board the farmers could not hope for aid from government.

Others attending the meeting expressed the view that Congress might be called upon to assist the farmers who declare that many of them face ruin unless they can obtain sufficient credit to tide them over the present period of prices for farm products.

Organized labor joined in the conference, being represented by Frank Morrison, secretary of the American Federation of Labor, and by William H. Johnson, president of the International Association of Machinists. Mr. Johnson announced that he had been authorized by Warren S. Stone, president of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, to say that the engineers' organization was ready to cooperate with the farmers.

J. Morgan Sheppard, editor of the Southern Planter, Richmond, Va., said the conference should "back up the fight of Comptroller of the Currency Williams on excessive interest rates." He said that if Mr. Williams would come down to Richmond "I'll give him some tips," and added that an amendment to the banking law prohibiting any bank having government deposits from loaning money at more than the lawful rate of interest would prevent excessive interest rates.

### DEATH FOR KILLERS OF JEWS.

**Polish Legation Publishes Report Of Christians Sentenced.**

Washington — Fourteen Christians have been sentenced to death for "excesses perpetrated against Jews," it was announced by the Polish Legation on the authority of a cablegram from the Attorney-General of Poland.

In this statement the Attorney-General says:

"This proves the lack of foundation of the complaints of the Jews that crimes committed against them go unpunished by the Government."

The Foreign Office, at Warsaw, has also sent here to be made public a statement indicating that the Jews and Poles of Eastern Galicia are acting together politically and are demanding that Eastern Galicia be reunited with Poland.

### STARTS FIGHT ON HOME BREW.

**N. Y. Women's Christian Temperance Union Says It Must Go.**

Syracuse, N. Y.—Home brew must go. Cider and wines manufactured in the sacred precincts of one's own dwelling are under the ban. Such is the determination of the New York State Women's Christian Temperance Union, set forth by resolution at the closing session of the convention here.

"There is immediate need to create and crystallize sentiment against home brew, cider and wines," reads the resolution. "The increased home manufacture of alcoholic beverages violates the spirit of the law, if not the letter."

### SPRING FLOWERS STILL BLOOM.

**Pansies, Apple Blossoms And Violets Seen In Connecticut Town.**

Winsted, Conn.—Miss Agnes E. Bowen, of Brooklyn, picked in her summer garden, in Pleasant Valley, an attractive bouquet consisting of asters, pansies and verbenas. Mrs. James Rose, 83 Pratt street, has an apple tree in her yard which is in full blossom for the second time this year. Fruit adorns some of the branches. Mrs. L. Terkins has picked violets in Barkhamstedt.

### PRIVATE RAIN ENRICHES HIM.

**West Virginian Charges Admission To See Shower.**

Parkersburg, W. Va.—Through a freak of nature on their farm Mr. and Mrs. M. S. Hileman, of Central are raking in much money. For over two weeks there has been a light rainfall there covering a limited area about 20 feet square. So many visitors have come to see the freak that a son of Mr. and Mrs. Hileman stands at the gate and charges 25 cents admission.

### GERMANY IS PENALIZED FOR SCAPA FLOW INCIDENT.

Paris.—Germany must deliver 275,000 tons of shipping to the Allies as compensation for the sinking of the German fleet in Scapa Flow, the reparations compensation for the sinking of the German fleet in Scapa Flow, the reparations commission decided.

## UNITED STATES WILL NOT SUFFER

### Revenue For 1920 Will Not Fall Below $8,000,000,000

### SEE NO BIG FALL IN PROFITS

**Smaller Returns, But Quicker Sales Regarded As Beneficial To All Concerned—Preparing Annual Report.**

Washington.—Experts in the Treasury Department, who have been watching the price declines and the possible results on governmental revenues, have reached the conclusion that the Government is not going to suffer any great loss of income during this year.

As a rule, the several authorities believe the final tabulation of revenue figures for the fiscal year of 1921 will not fall far below the estimates made by the Treasury Department at the end of the fiscal year of 1919.

This would mean that the total receipts from "ordinary sources," such as customs internal revenues and other miscellaneous funds, would amount to more than $5,000,000,000 and that the total receipts from income and excess profits taxes would amount to approximately $3,000,000,000.

When it is said the experts are of the opinion at present that the Government will not suffer through the price declines it is meant that the falling prices do not mean a corresponding fall in profits. Had business been sustained at its high level of the "extravagance period" and at the high-price level also, the receipts undoubtedly would have been greater, according to some opinions. But with business suffering a depression through the high-price level, the declines, it is believed here, will have resulted in enough of a stimulation to prevent any great decrease in corporation profits and in governmental income.

"Cutting prices does not mean cutting profits," suggested one of the authorities. "If you are making $100 off the sale of one article and had been selling only one of these articles each week, and then had cut the profit to say $80, and through the cut had increased the sale to three or four articles, it would not mean that you had lessened your total profits any."

The peculiarities of the excess profits tax and its relation to business prevents any accurate estimate with figures to sustain it the experts now insist. They, or the most of them, have given up any hope of preparing a summary of the result of the decline in prices would have on the estimated revenues. But the little study they have made has caused them, as a rule, to come to the conclusion that, in so far as Treasury receipts from taxation are concerned, it was just as well if not better that the price declines came.

"The declines in prices, up to the present time, have not been so many as they have been sensational," was the added suggestion from one of the experts. "Some decline has been suffered in the raw products, but as yet the consumer has not benefited greatly. The declines have been on the luxuries, more or less.

"Then again, when a decline is made, for instance, in the price of an automobile, the manufacturer may get the benefit of declines in the price of steel and other raw materials so that his profits probably are not being greatly reduced."

### OLD CICERO BRINGS $470.

**Day's Sale Of Barnes Library In New York Nets $3,832.**

New York.—James F. Drake paid $470 at the sale of Charles J. Barnes' library, for Cicero's "Epistolarum Familiarum," printed by Nicholas Jensen in 1471, in binding by Trantz-Bauzonnet and with the crowned monogram of Comete Roger. F. R. Arnold gave $162.50 for the first issue of the first edition of Pierce Egan's "Finish to the Adventure of Tom, Jerry and Logic," London, 1820, illustrated by Robert Cruikshank.

### JUMPS FROM 20-STORY TOWER.

**Man Lands On Balcony Three Floors Lower And Will Live.**

Denver, Col.—James Riley, 62, of Detroit, Mich., jumped from the Daniels and Fisher tower, 20 stories high, but lit on a balcony three stories lower. He broke both legs, but physicians say he probably will recover.

### KILLED WHEN GUN EXPLODES.

Norfolk, Va.,— Mrs. Katherine Schmelz Phillips, wife of Jefferson Phillips and daughter of the late Henry Lane Schmelz, one of the leading bankers in Virginia, was instantly killed at her home in Hampton, when a shotgun exploded.

Mr. Phillips declared that he was cleaning a shotgun in his home, when his wife picked it up to examine. It exploded, the contents blowing part of her head off. Medical aid was summoned, but Mrs. Phillips was dead when physicians reached her home.

## GIVES APPROVAL TO WORLD COURT

### Provisions for Obligatory Jurisdiction Is Stricken Out

### ROOT'S PLAN ACCEPTED

**Parts Attributed To Root Retained—Germany Surprises Allies By Filing Copies Of 10 Treaties.**

Brussels. — The council of the League of Nations approved the plan for a permanent court of international justice as adopted by The Hague committee of jurists, with the exception of the provision for obligatory jurisdiction and some minor matters.

**Root's Work Accepted.**

Those parts of the plan generally attributed to Elihu Root, the former American Secretary of State, were accepted in their entirety.

The council decided that it could not recommend to the assembly of the League a plan going farther than the covenant of the League of Nations, which provides that both parties to a dispute must give their consent in order to bring their case into court. The question of the compulsory adherence of a defending nation, however, will be submitted for study to all the legal associations, including the American Institute for International Law, along with other points that may come up, as suggested by Mr. Root.

The opinions of the associations will be asked with regard to the holding of another international law conference.

**Germany Files 10 Treaties.**

Paris.—The German Government, somewhat to the surprise of the council of the League of Nations, has sent to the League offices in London 10 treaties or diplomatic agreements entered into by Germany with various powers since January 10. This step was taken in consequence of the circular invitation sent to all the governments of the world, except that of Soviet Russia, by order of the League council at its meeting in Rome in March last.

The treaties and agreements are the Franco-German agreement concerning the harbor of Kiel on the Rhine; the Franco-German exchange of notes respecting Article 297 of the Treaty of Versailles; Swedish-German notes of March 31 on a German-Swedish commercial treaty; an agreement with the Letvian Republic about the exchange of prisoners; an agreement to the same effect between Germany and Hungary; the Franco-German protocol for execution of Article 68 of the Treaty of Versailles; an agreement between Germany and the Russian soviets for the exchange of nationals; an agreement with various states concerning the preservation or re-establishment of rights in industrial property affected by the World War; further agreements with Soviet Russia relating to the exchange of nationals, and, finally, a treaty with Letvia on the resumption of relations.

### PRESERVATION OF HOME.

**Loss Of Parental Authority Pictured As Great Evil.**

Omaha, Neb.—Preservation of the American home was the principal subject that occupied the attention of delegates attending the session of the annual convention of the American Humane Association.

Loss of parental authority was pictured by Joseph K. Adams, of Fort Worth, Tex., as one of the greatest evils threatening the home.

"God established the first government in the world in the home, and in it he placed two judges; but the trouble is that too frequently the court is divided, and when the judgment of one parent is not what the child seeks he goes to the other."

### CENSUS OF METHODISTS.

**36,622,190 In The World, According To Dr. Carroll.**

Chicago.—A census of Methodists, compiled by Dr. H. H. Carroll, formerly of the census bureau for the centenary conservation committee of the Methodist Episcopal Church, shows 36,622,190 Methodists in the world, according to figures made public.

There are 9,832,107 members of the church, the remainder being adherents and probationers who are members of Methodist families.

Canada reports 387,421 members; Great Britain, 1,269,462; Australia, 294,395, and Japan, 20,000.

The increase in the total of Methodists during the last nine years is given as 3,935,341.

### ROBBED ESTATE OF $328,000.

**Charles F. Toomey Given Sentence Of 10 To 30 Years.**

Philadelphia.—Ten to thirty years in jail and a fine of $5,000 was the sentence imposed on Charles F. Toomey, who confessed he embezzled $328,000 from a trust estate while he was assistant secretary of the Fidelity Trust Company in this city.

### ABOUT TO WED; ENDS LIFE.

**Dentist Shoots Himself While Guests Are Assembled.**

Negaunee, Mich.—Called to come downstairs where friends were waiting to witness his wedding, Dr. B. J. Miller, aged 40, prominent dentist, replied "I'll be ready in a minute," then killed himself with a shotgun. Miss Viola Connors, his fiancee, daughter of the postmaster of Negaunee, and other members of the wedding party were waiting for Dr. Miller to appear.

### EJECTED FROM PRISON AFTER 25-YEAR TERM.

Boston.—Patrick J. ("Corkey") Hanley ended a 25-year sentence at the State Prison against his will and maintained to the last a silence begun 10 years ago. He had asked, in writing that he be allowed to stay in for a few days more to finish some work, but his sentence having expired, Warden Shattuck put him out.

At the State House, to which he was taken by the Warden on his first automobile ride, he was asked if he was not ready to talk. Hanley stood mute, then reached out for a pencil and pad, and wrote "I can't."

He took a vow of silence 10 years ago after a fellow convict had retold something he said, and, although parole was offered him several times if he would voice a request for it, he refused.

Hanley was committed to the prison as a habitual criminal from Lawrence in 1895 after was found guilty of stealing $84 worth of shoes.

### URGES GUARD REORGANIZATION.

**War Department Declares Immediate Action Advisable.**

Washington.—Immediate reorganization of the National Guard is deemed advisable, said an announcement by the War Department.

The reserve and National Guard officers of the general staff on duty in the department have been ordered to visit each corps area headquarters and advise with the corps area commanders and State authorities with reference to the organization of the guard divisions allocated to the various corps areas.

The table of tentative allotments has been prepared, showing the number of troops to be organized in each State, under the National Defense act. A minimum enlisted strength of approximately 427,000 men must be provided as the peace organization of the National Guard.

### D'ANNUNZIO DENIES PLOT.

**Poet-Warrior Issues Vigorous Statement In Reply To Rumors.**

Rome.—Reports printed in newspapers of this city to the effect that Capt. Gabriele d'Annunzio was involved in a plot intended to overturn the present Italian Government have been denied by Captain d'Annunzio, according to reports from Fiume. He has issued an official statement vigorously protesting against rumors that he is intending to participate in a "coup de main," and adds he has never been "addicted to plots."

### BOLSHEVIKI TAKE CHITA.

**Seat of Semenoff Anti-Soviet Regime Reported Captured.**

Vladivostok. — Opponents of the Semenoff Anti-Bolshevik regime occupied Chita, the capital, and overthrew the temporary assembly, according to a wireless from Chita, received here General Semenoff escaped in an air plane, but the Japanese military and diplomatic mission remained behind. The message said the fate of the Japanese representatives remains in doubt.

### BABY'S ROMPERS HALT SUIT.

**Couple "Make Up" After Shopping For Tot's Clothes.**

Chicago.—After instituting suit for divorce from the father of her 3-year old son, Mrs. Benjamin Widoff decided that the boy needed new clothes.

The husband agreed to purchase them.

The estranged couple decided to let down the bars just once to shop for the rompers. By the time they had finished buying baby's clothes they were on such good terms they decided to forget about the divorce.

The suit has been dropped.

### ROOT COURT PLAN ADOPTED.

**Clauses Giving Obligatory Powers Eliminated.**

Brussels.—The so-called Root plan for an international court in connection with the League of Nations, with a few modifications has been adopted by the League council in session here. Leon Bourgeois, president of the council, confirmed the adoption of the plan.

The council agreed to eliminate the clauses in the Root plan which conferred upon the court obligatory powers. The council decides that the League covenant gives the court no authority to call litigants before it against their will.

The seat of the new court will be at The Hague and the body will begin its deliberations next year, Bourgeois said.

### JUMPS FROM ATTIC WINDOW.

**Jerome King, Retired Farmer, Commits Suicide.**

Gettysburg, Pa.—Jumping from an attic window at his home in Littlestown, Jerome King, 60 years old, was killed instantly when he struck the pavement 35 feet below. His skull was fractured.

King, a retired farmer, had been suffering for some time from gangrene which had developed in one of his feet, and worry over his condition is believed to have affected his mind. He leaves his wife and two sons.

### GOTHAM LANDLORD JOLTED.

**Jury, Under New Law, Cuts His 66 Per Cent. Raise To 10.**

New York.—The first landlord to face a jury under New York's new rent laws received a jolt when the jury awarded him permission to raise his rent 10 per cent instead of the 66 per cent he had sought to get out of his tenant. "It marks the doom of New York's realty," said David Shapiro, the landlord, when the verdict was read.

## CONCRETE STEAMER GOES DOWN WITH 19

### Cape Fear Sinks In Narragansett Collision

### FIFTEEN OF CREW RESCUED

**U. S. Shipping Board Vessel Goes To Bottom Three Minutes After Deep Hole Had Been Cut In Her Side.**

Newport, R. I.—The concrete steamer Cape Fear, a United States Shipping Board vessel, was sunk in the deepest part of Narragansett Bay in a collision with the Savannah line steamer City of Atlanta.

Of the crew of 34 of the sunken vessel 19 are unaccounted for. The Cape Fear sank in three minutes about half way between Castle Hill, on the Newport Shore, and Rose Island, going down bow first in 125 fathoms.

The Cape Fear was outward bound from Providence for Norfolk in ballast and carried only her crew, as did the City of Atlanta, which was bound from Savannah for Providence with a cargo of pigiron.

Just how the accident happened was not definitely determined, especially as the weather was clear with only a slight cloudiness and a light sea running.

The City of Atlanta's bow was badly damaged, the result of hitting the Cape Fear amidships, but although there was a seven-foot hole above the main deck, the bulkheads held and she anchored in the bay.

Of the 15 men saved from the Cape Fear, five slid down lines to the City of Atlanta and the others were picked up from the water by ropes or by boats that were lowered for them.

Captain Garfield, of the City of Atlanta, in describing the accident, said that he picked up the lights of the Cape Fear and signalled with one whistle, which was answered. He was bearing steadily to port, he said, with plenty of clearance room when suddenly the Cape Fear swung across his bow. He blew two whistles as a signal for the steamer to pass on the other side and ordered full speed astern, but could not avoid the collision.

The City of Atlanta struck squarely with her bow, the blow cutting a deep hole in the Cape Fear and shattering the concrete. Lines immediately were thrown aboard, but the steamer sank so quickly that the majority of the crew had to dive overboard.

No one was injured aboard the City of Atlanta, but of those rescued from the Cape Fear three were slightly injured. Capt. Harry Biggins had cuts about the head; Sabina Pasquale, an oiler, had scalp wounds, and E. K. Holmes, a messman, received injuries to his back and was taken to a Newport hospital.

### $800,000 FOR NEAR EAST RELIEF.

**Will Be Spent In Armenia, Persia And Other Sections.**

New York.—Appropriations totaling nearly $800,000 for relief work in the near East were voted at a meeting here of the executive committee of the Near East Relief.

A gift of $150,000 from Armenians, resident in the United States, was received and the committee appropriated $300,000 for immediate purchase of supplies for Armenia.

A total of $200,000 was appropriated for the Constantinople district, $125,000 for relief in trans-Caucasia, $115,000 for Syria, $55,000, for Northern Persia and about $12,000 for Greek refugees in these countries.

Bayard Dodge of this city, son of Cleveland H. Dodge, was appointed to direct relief activities in Syria with headquarters in Beirut.

### RAILROAD TRAFFIC AT PEAK.

**Reported Heavier Than During Troop Movements In 1918.**

New York.—Members of the Association of Railway Executives, meeting here reported the heaviest traffic during the last few weeks of any period in the history of the roads, even exceeding the height of the troop movement operations in 1918. Co-operation on the part of shippers, increased efficiency of labor and efforts by railroad officials to get the utmost out of the available facilities were given as the reasons of the improvement.

### TO RECOGNIZE MEXICAN RULE.

**Early Action By The American Government Is Forecast.**

Washington.—Early recognition of the new government in Mexico was forecast by Secretary Colby. Whether it will precede inauguration of President-elect Obregon next December 1 was not stated.

In revealing that "discussions" have been in progress with Roberto V. Pesqueira, confidential agent of the Mexico City government, however, Mr Colby said that these gave "promise of a speedy and happy outcome."

### REFUSES SHIP BOARD POST.

**Wisconsin Man Third To Decline Appointment.**

Washington.—Martin J. Gillen, of Wisconsin, has telegraphed President Wilson declining to serve on the new Shipping Board. Mr. Gillen is the third of the seven men selected by the President to decline appointment. The others are Theodore Marburg, of Baltimore, and Gavin McNab, of San Francisco.

## SHORT CUTS IN STATE NEWS

### The Latest News From All Over the State

### HAPPENINGS OF THE WEEK

Lynchburg.—Five cases of influenza have been reported to the health department here. There are also seven of diphtheria, five of typhoid fever and eighteen of whooping cough.

Norfolk.—John Whitehead, internal revenue agent, told a woman's political meeting here that there were no less than 1,000 "private breweries" in Norfolk. The statement was made during a discussion of the Volstead law.

Danville.—The task of cleaning out the city's reservoir, for the first time in eleven years, was completed Thursday. About a foot of mud, some rocks and some bottles were found when the water had been drained off.

Danville.—W. Tredway Graveley, of this city, has just received a prize of $750, offered by a large insurance firm for an article in an insurance publication on the best means of increasing certain lines of insurance.

Lynchburg.—Claude Ramsey, the fourteen-year-old son of J. W. Ramsey, whose farm is on the Forest road, was severely injured, when the side of his head was crushed in a molasses mill. Following an operation the boy's condition was said to be favorable.

Norfolk. — Fire of undertermined origin totally destroyed the Nansemond Hotel, Ocean View, ten miles from here, doing an estimated damage of $200,000. The hotel was undergoing extensive improvements and had not been occupied since October 1, after the closing of the resort.

Danville.— Danville.—Another successful jail delivery took place here when four prisoners two of them charged with serious offenses, and all of them white men, made their way out of steel cells to safety. Ten days ago two other men escaped, and before that a full-fledged plot to escape had been discovered by the authorities.

Fredericksburg. — County Agent Lightner, of Londoun county, has raised what is said to be the largest hog in the world. This famous Berkshire boar weight 290 pounds at six months and 800 pounds two years old. He is now owned by Parker Bros., of Miles, Mich, and won second at the National Swine Show at Des Moines, Iowa.

Fredericksburg.—W. McDonald Lee and two daughters, Misses Fan and Anne Lee, of Irvington, on the lower Rappahannock River, have gone to California, and from there will sail for Honolulu, where they will spend several weeks with their relative, Colonel Willard Newbill, United States Army, a son of Dr. W. J. Newbill, of Irvington.

Lynchburg. — Lynchburg, according to a statement by Dr. Roy K. Flannagan, of the State Board of Health, was the first city in the United States to make appropriation for special work against tuberculosis, this work having been started here in 1913. Mrs. J. B. Dey, then Miss Bessie Fleming, was the nurse in charge of the work and she continues actively still in her work throughout the city.

Fredericksburg.—Miss Henrie Walker, of Fauquier county, was bitten by a copperhead snake while chestnut hunting and was taken to the madstone at Squire Tyler's in Loudoun county. The stone was applied to the wound on her ankle. It stuck and adhere for forty-eight hours. The swelling in her limb was greatly reduced and but little pain was felt around the wound.

Winchester.—The Elders' Association, an auxiliary of Potomac Synod, Reformed Church, in session here, reported that through its efforts salaries of about sixty pastors had been increased $17,000 annually. Rev. James I. Good, D. D., of General Synod Foreign Mission Board, recently returned from Europe, reported on conditions among Reformed Churches in France, Switzerland, Italy, Bohemia and Hungary. The Presidents of the two latter countries are members of that church.

Imposing church buildings are being built by the denomination at Chateau-Thierry and St. Quentin. Forward movement reports showed Virginia and North Carolina classes the first to exceed their quotas, with others rapidly nearing the goal.

Williamsburg.—In March, 1921, the government will add from 500 to 600 men to the force employed at Penniman now for the purpose of completing the salvage of the shell-loading plant which has been in progress for a year. Not more than 150 people are on the force at Penniman now.

After the hundreds of buildings are disposed of and thousands of dollars' worth of property, including shells, are sold or removed, the plant will be restored to its owners, the Du Pont de Nemours & Company, of Wilmington, Del., who, is reported, propose to develop a large enterprise there.

Lynchburg.—R. J. Marshall, of Brookneal; J. H. Quisenberry, of Louisa county; Dr. T. W. Evans, Campbell county. H. W. Brandt, lawyers, and O. A. Thomas, Bedford, have been named by the Virginia Farmers' Educational and Co-Operative Union to devise plans to finance small farmers and tenants in handling their 1920 crop of tobacco. The committee will seek to work out a plan along the idea of a bonded warehouse to finance the farmer until market conditions are ready to sell the crop.

## STATE CAPITAL

**Seek Copy Of Record.**

Richmond.—Samuel A. Anderson, Edwin P. Cox and other minority members of the Westmoreland Club, will, it is understood, take legal action to force the State Corporation Commission to furnish a certified copy of the record in the proceedings before that body if such request is refused. This was the statement made by good authority, following filing of a petition for a transcript of the records in the case before the commission.

Minority members of the club are anxious to obtain a certified copy of the record in order to place it before the Supreme Court of Virginia when a writ of error and supersedeas is asked. This record has not been furnished by the commission, on the grounds that the legal existence of the minority members of the club has never been recognized and that the opinion handed down by the commission was to the effect that their legal status was nil.

**Stock Shipping Clubs.**

As a result of the sentiment of the people in the State, the Division of Markets, under the direction of J. H. Meek, is preparing plans for the organization of co-operative live stock shipping associations. By-laws and all details of organization are being gone into carefully and will be prepared and submitted to those interested in the formation of the organizations for mutual marketing purposes.

Mr. Meek said that he has hopes that before long he will be able to organize a State association of the small local associations interested in marketing. The co-operative live stock marketing idea has met with the best of success in other States and it is believed will meet with public approval here.

**Realty Jumps $12,250,000.**

Chief Clerk Parr, in the office of the assessment branch of the Auditor of Public Records, issued figures showing that the increase in real estate assessments in eight counties of the State has amounted to $12,250,000. Halifax, Lunenburg and Mecklenburg counties have shown the greatest increases. Reports of the land assessors are still coming in. Herewith are given statistics on the eight counties already in:

| | 1920 | 1919 |
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| Floyd | $ 1,449,235 | $1,181,057 |
| Fluvanna | 1,511,809 | 1,079,275 |
| Franklin | 3,159,031 | 2,402,839 |
| Gloucester | 2,619,470 | 1,826,650 |
| Greenville | 3,197,600 | 1,829,110 |
| Halifax | 10,172,439 | 6,572,112 |
| Lunenburg | 4,007,582 | 2,151,074 |
| Mecklenburg | 6,992,686 | 3,832,353 |

**Reward For Plotters.**

Governor Davis announced that the State will offer the sum of $200 and the Board of Supervisors of Prince William county have offered a like sum as a reward for the apprehension of the person or persons guilty of the recent attempt to dynamite the home of Karl J. Austin, of Manassas, Va.

At the time of the explosion, which tore out a section of the foundation wall of the Austin home, Austin was under indictment on the charge of killing J. B. Davis. Austin alleged that the latter had broken up his home. He was acquitted of the charge against him. His wife and four babies and four other persons were in the house.

**Louisa County Hogs Win.**

W. C. Saunders, manager of the Virginia State Fair, has received word that C. E. Whistler, of Louisa county, owner of the Hollyherst stock farm there, won grand championship honors at the Georgia State Fair, just closed, in the boat and sow class with the hogs he entered. Mr. Whistler has been a long-time exhibitor of the Virginia Fair and took good rank with his entries at the recent exhibits here.

**Red Cross And Roll Call.**

J. H. Binford, assistant superintendent of schools, will head the committee in charge of Junior Red Cross activities during the fourth Red Cross roll call of the Richmond chapter, November 14 to 20. At the high tide of enrollment during the war period the juniors had in the public, parochial and private schools of the country a total of 11,718,385 members in 83,000 schools.

**Howitzers To Have Inspection.**

Annual State inspection of the Richmond Howitzers' Battery will take place November 15. The officers expect at least seventy-five men to be present in uniform.

**Fall Phone Book Out.**

More echoes of the telephone rate case opinion recently prepared by Major Alexander Forward, of the State Corporation Commission, are found in the new fall directory of the Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Company, just out. Many suggestions made by the commissioner as to information the public should be given in this volume concerning the class of long distance service and the tolls for them have been complied with.

Charlottesville.—At the first meeting of the co-eds of the University of Virginia, held in Madison Hall, President Alderman made an informal address, stating the necessity and possibilities of a student organization of the women in the university, and encouraged the formation of some kind of organization. Miss Graves was chosen secretary of the club and a committee, consisting of Misses Willoughby, Dean, Bonner, Hart and Pressly was appointed to draw up a preliminary constitution.

## TWICE EGGED, HE TOTES GUN

### Connecticut Parson Declares He's "Not Afraid of God or Man."

### BOMBARDED IN HOME

**Arouses the Village Against Him by His War on Lotteries and Public Gambling—Gun Loaded With Ammonia.**

Stamford, Conn.—They threw fresh eggs at him and tomatoes that were overripe and it made the minister sore—he has been paying $1 a dozen for eggs—so he has declared war on Stamford and on Darien, Conn., too. And his chief weapon right now is a squirter-gun filled with ammonia—the selectman wouldn't issue him a permit to carry a real one.

The Rev. G. E. Richter, the minister in question, has open enemies in the volunteer fire department, the Knights of Columbus, the Eagles and the Redmen of these two communities. These organizations have been having carnivals with lotteries, which the minister charged was open gambling.

**Bombarded In His Home.**

His ire aroused, he made his feelings publicly known. The aforesaid enemies, being a bit piqued—as they had lost much money because of the minister's condemnation—gave him a vegetable bombardment during two nights. And early one morning they serenaded him, but it was not the kind of serenade one expects to hear—also it was unprintable. Moreover, the remarks that greeted Rev. Mr. Richter while on his way from his home to Stamford cannot be repeated.

"I am not afraid of God, or man, or the devil, or—" Doctor Richter paused during a recent address, his voice choking—"or the baptism of eggs that has greeted my efforts to purge these communities of low gambling and drinking. And I shall carry a gun, no matter what the officials of Darien say.

**"I Shall Carry a Gun."**

"I will not kill anybody. I merely want to defend myself against the rowdies of Darien—the low gambling element that jeered me and threw eggs at me and plastered my roof and my windows with tomatoes. I shall carry a gun!"

But the gaunt, gray-haired crusader failed to tell his audience that his gun was a water pistol, charged with ammonia. Furthermore, at nights his

**Threw Eggs and Tomatoes at Him.**

pistol protrudes from under his frock coat as he hurries from his duties in the city to the adjacent village of Darien, where he makes his home.

Moreover, since Selectman John H Selleck has refused to permit him to carry a revolver, he has injected all of his 6 feet 2 inches into a political battle in his efforts to defeat him at next week's election.

### THIS WOMAN OUTDOES PONZI

**Financial Wizard From Texas Promises 300 Per Cent Profit in Ten Days.**

Butte, Mont.—Charles Ponzi was a tightwad compared with Mrs. Mary E. Phillips of Fort Worth, Tex., who has just been detained here by the police following her public offers of 300 per cent profit in ten days on an investment of $100.

Mrs. Phillips admitted that she had told a Melstone (Mont.) woman that she was a member of a prominent detective agency seeking counterfeiters. She said, according to Chief Murphy that she was selling valuable oil royalties to locate the counterfeiters.

"She makes Ponzi look like a piker," Chief Murphy said.

**Dislocated Jaw While Chewing Gum.**

Elyria, O.—John Carpenter, chewing gum, felt his jaws click, but thought little of it. Later he attempted to eat and was unable to move his jaws. Examination showed dislocation.

**Remembered Man Who Saved Life.**

Mount Vernon, N. Y.—Charles P. Cowles, a wealthy manufacturer, who died recently, leaving an estate of $150,000, bequeathed $5,000 to Dean Worden of Cosceb, Conn., who once saved him from drowning.

**3 Boston Policemen Held as Thieves.**

Boston.—Three Boston policemen, all recruited since the police strike of a year ago, have been discharged from the police force and are under arrest on charges of breaking, entering and larceny.